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Community Invited to Enroll in 42nd Citizens Police Academy

Registration Deadline, August 19, 2014

Durham, NC – Durham residents interested in learning about the operations and services of the Durham Police Department can register for the 2014 session of the department's Citizens Police Academy. Applications are being accepted for the six-week academy which will hold classes August 26 through October, 2, 2014. The classes, which are free of charge, will meet Tuesdays and Thursdays from 6:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m. at Durham Police Headquarters (505 W. Chapel Hill Street).

The goal of the Citizens Police Academy is to increase community support and awareness of police operations through education and to strengthen police-citizen relationships. Sessions are offered in English and Spanish and provide first-hand knowledge of police units and services, and as well as front line experiences. Classes feature ride-a-long sessions with officers on patrol, K-9 and gang awareness presentations, crime scene awareness, domestic violence information and more.

The deadline to register for the Academy is **Tuesday, August 19, 2014**. Class size is limited. Registrations are accepted on a first-come, first-served basis. Registration forms are available on the Police Department's website www.durhampolice.com. On the left side of the home page, click on *Get Involved* and *Citizens Police Academy*.

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